

## Assignment-set 5 Introduction to Dynamical Systems 2013

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1.) Consider the 2-dimensional system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} &= \mu + x^2 - xy, \\ \dot{y} &= y^2 - x^2 - 1. \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

- (a) Take  $\mu = 0$ . Show that (1) has two saddle points  $P^+(0)$  and  $P^-(0)$  and that these points are connected by a heteroclinic orbit. Give a sketch of the phase portrait.
- (b) Now consider  $\mu \neq 0$  and small. Determine a Taylor/perturbation expansion of the saddles  $P^+(\mu)$  and  $P^-(\mu)$  up to quadratic terms in  $\mu$ . What happens to the heteroclinic connection? Give a sketch of the phase portraits, both for  $\mu > 0$  as well as for  $\mu < 0$ .

2.) Consider for  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$  the 2-dimensional system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} &= \alpha xy - x^3 + y^2, \\ \dot{y} &= -y + x^2 + xy. \end{cases}$$

Determine the center manifold  $W^c((0,0))$  up to and including terms of order three. Determine the (approximate) flow on  $W^c((0,0))$  near  $(0,0)$ . Determine the stability of  $(0,0)$  for all  $\alpha \in \mathbf{R}$ .

3.) Consider for  $\beta \in \mathbf{R}$  the 2-dimensional system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} &= -x^3, \\ \dot{y} &= -y + x^2 + \beta x^4. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Take  $\beta = -2$ . Determine the stable manifold  $W^s((0,0))$  and the center manifold(s)  $W^c((0,0))$  *explicitly* by solving the appropriate equations. Is  $W^c((0,0))$  uniquely determined? Is it analytic? If so, give an expression of  $W^c((0,0))$  in terms of a power series.
- (b) Sketch, for  $\beta$  still equal to  $-2$ , the phase portrait, including the manifolds  $W^s((0,0))$  and  $W^c((0,0))$ .
- (c) Consider the general case  $\beta \in \mathbf{R}$ . What can you say about  $W^c((0,0))$ ? Is it unique? Is it analytic? Can you give an explicit expression, or a power series expansion?

4.) Consider the 3-dimensional system

$$\begin{cases} \dot{x} &= -y + xz - x^4, \\ \dot{y} &= x + yz + xyz, \\ \dot{z} &= -z - x^2 - y^2 + z^2 + \sin x^3. \end{cases}$$

Determine the stability of the critical point  $(0,0,0)$ .

*Hint:* Determine the flow on the center manifold and use polar coordinates.